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# **U.S. 95 Corridor Study**

Thank you for attending Payette County workshops! Your input is important. Look inside for an update on public involvement.

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# U.S. 95 CORRIDOR STUDY NEWSLETTER **COUNTY UPDATE**

**The Idaho Transportation Department** (ITD) is conducting a study of U.S. 95 between Owyhee and Adams counties. The study will result in a corridor plan that identifies policies and projects important to the development of this major highway over the next 20 years.

Look inside for a project update.









U.S. 95 runs north and south through western Idaho, providing an important international transportation link between Mexico and Canada. Recreational travelers and local traffic share the road with long-haul freight, straining the roadway capacity as transportation demand continues to grow.

**For more information** about the U.S. 95 Corridor Study, including materials presented at the workshops, visit itd.idaho.gov/Projects/D3/US95Corridor, or contact:

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#### **ITD Public Involvement**

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# Payette County Update

#### The U.S. 95 Corridor will result in a plan that includes:

Public input gathered during a series of workshops and meetings throughout the region will be incorporated in the U.S. 95 Corridor Plan. The plan is expected to be complete in fall/winter 2010. It will address corridor-wide and county-by-county improvements for this 182-mile corridor.

An access management plan will be presented to local planning and zoning commissions and city councils in spring 2010. An access management plan is a document that directs the location, type and spacing of access points along the corridor.

## **What we heard in Payette County**

Workshops were held in Fruitland and Payette in 2009. A total of four workshops provided Payette County residents, businesses and others with an opportunity to:

- Provide input on proposed access management improvements.
- Identify issues and concerns.

# Workshop participants agreed with the following proposed access management improvements on U.S. 95 in Payette County:

- Widening the road for turning lanes or passing lanes.
- Installing new traffic signals at busy intersections such as Palisades Junction.

### Participants wanted the following issues considered:

- Reducing speed limit on U.S. 95.
- Improving the pavement on U.S. 95.
- Adding pedestrian facilities such as sidewalks.
- Replacing the bridge over the Payette River.

## **Next Steps**

- The draft access management plan will be presented to local planning and zoning commissions and city councils in spring 2010.
- The draft corridor plan will be available for review in summer 2010.
- The Idaho Transportation Board will adopt the final corridor plan in fall/winter 2010.